

House Resolution 1468

By: Representatives Stephens of the 161st, Gordon of the 162nd, Bryant of the 160th, Williams of the 165th, Day of the 163rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Chief Willie C. Lovett upon his appointment as Interim Chief of Police for the
2 Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Chief Willie C. Lovett has been a Georgia law enforcement officer since 1973
4 and is highly regarded by the citizens of his community and state and by local government
5 officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication to the sound principles of law
6 enforcement; and

7 WHEREAS, a native of Savannah, Georgia, Chief Lovett graduated from Alfred E. Beach
8 High School and earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and a master's degree in
9 public administration from Savannah State College; and

10 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
11 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting democracy; and

12 WHEREAS, Chief Lovett has diligently and conscientiously dedicated his time, talents, and
13 energy to several positions within the Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department
14 before he was named Interim Chief of Police, including Assistant Chief of Police, Police
15 Major of the Criminal Investigations Unit and Patrol Operations, Police Captain and Precinct
16 Commander, and Police Lieutenant of Investigations; and

17 WHEREAS, he has completed numerous training programs including the FBI National
18 Academy, the Senior Management Institute for Police at the Harvard University John F.
19 Kennedy School of Government, and the Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, Chief Lovett assumes command of the over 800 member Savannah-Chatham
22 Metropolitan Police Department as Interim Chief of Police; and

23 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to his supportive wife, Elaine, and has been
24 blessed with three remarkable children and four amazing grandchildren; and

25 WHEREAS, Chief Lovett has exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty,
26 fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties, and his efficient and
27 effective commitment to excellence has been continually recognized by his peers; and

28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
29 gratitude for the unique and often unheralded contributions of Chief Lovett and all local law
30 enforcement officers on behalf of the citizens of this state.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
32 the members of this body unanimously commend the care, courage, sympathy, and selfless
33 dedication exhibited by Chief Willie C. Lovett in carrying out the difficult duties of his
34 vocation for so many years and extend to him their utmost appreciation for having so purely
35 and truly defined for others the meaning of public servant.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
37 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Chief Willie C. Lovett.